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## **CLAIMS**

What is claimed and desired to be secured by Letters Patent is as follows:

- 1. A collar leash device, comprising:
  - a leash having a first pet end and a second user end; and
  - a housing configured to receive and store said leash,
  - wherein said first pet end of said leash is secured within said housing and said second user end is accessible to a user, and
  - wherein said housing is adapted to be carried on a pet collar during and between uses of said leash.
- 2. The device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising a handle connected to said user end of said leash, wherein said housing is configured to receive and hold said handle.
- 3. The device as claimed in claim 2, further comprising a handle latch for retaining said handle within said housing.
- 4. The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said leash is retractable.
- 5. The device as claimed in claim 4, further comprising a spring-biased spool apparatus for retracting said leash into said housing.
- 6. The device as claimed in claim 5, further comprising a brake for inhibiting extension and retraction of said leash.
- 7. The device as claimed in claim 1, wherein said housing comprises at least one collar slot for receiving the collar.
- 8. The device as claimed in claim 7, wherein said housing comprises at least three collar slots.
- 9. The device as claimed in claim 7, wherein said collar slot is formed integrally with said housing.
- 10. The device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising identification information applied to the exterior of said housing.
- 11. A method for using the device as claimed in claim 1, comprising the steps of: attaching said housing to the collar;
  - fastening the collar around the neck of a pet; and

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leaving the device attached to the collar and the collar fastened around the neck of the pet between uses of said leash,

wherein said leash is in a first stored position during said leaving step.

12. The method of claim 11, further comprising after said fastening step, the steps of: grasping said user end of said leash;

pulling said user end of said leash to extend said leash from said first stored position to a second extended position;

walking the pet; and

returning said leash to said first stored position,

wherein said housing is carried on the collar during said walking step.

13. A collar leash device, comprising:

a leash having a first pet end and a second user end; and

a housing configured to receive and store said leash,

wherein said first pet end of said leash is secured within said housing and said second user end is accessible to a user, and

a collar,

wherein said housing is attached to said collar.

- 14. The device as claimed in claim 13, wherein said housing is semi-permanently attached to said collar.
- 15. The device as claimed in claim 14, wherein said housing comprises at least one collar slot and said collar is received within said collar slot.
- 16. The device as claimed in claim 13, wherein said housing is permanently attached to said collar.
- 17. A collar leash device, comprising:
  - a leash having a first pet end and a second user end; and

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a housing configured to receive and store said leash, wherein said pet end of said leash is secured within said housing and said user end is accessible to a user; and

a means for attaching said housing to a collar and retaining said housing on the collar during and between uses of said leash.

- 18. The device as claimed in claim 17, further comprising a handle connected to said user end of said leash.
- 19. The device as claimed in claim 18, wherein said housing is configured to receive and hold said handle.
- 20. A collar leash device, comprising:
  - a retractable leash having a first pet end and a second user end;
  - a housing configured to receive and store said leash, wherein said pet end of said

    leash is secured within said housing and said user end is accessible to a user;

    and
  - a handle connected to said user end of said leash,
  - wherein said housing is adapted to be carried on a collar during and between uses of said leash.